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IN RE APPLICATION OF : Robert C. Clarke  
FOR : **SUPPORT APPARATUS FOR TUNING  
A SNOWBOARD**  
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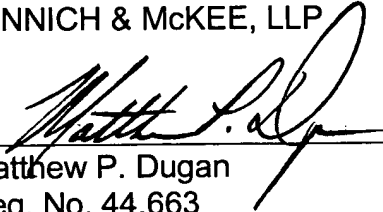
It is respectfully requested that the attached document(s) be considered and officially cited in examination of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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